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SUBJECT: UN SPECIAL FUND

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1. USDEL ADVISED THAT WHEN SECOND COMITE RECOMMENDATION TO TRANSFORM AHC INTO FIRST BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF SPECIAL FUND COMES BEFORE GA FOR APPROVAL, USDEL INSTRUCTED TO REGISTER USG INTENTION NOT RPT NOT TO PARTICIPATE AS MEMBER BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

2. STATEMENT OF U.S. POSITION SHOULD DRAW ON FOLLOWING POINTS: U.S. HAS STEADFASTLY MAINTAINED THAT WE DO NOT INTEND TO CONTRIBUTE TO SPECIAL FUND, FEELING THAT APPROPRIATE CHANNELS FOR U.S. ASSISTANCE ARE THROUGH EXISTING BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL INSTITUTIONS. WE BELIEVE BOARD OF GOVERNORS SHOULD LOGICALLY CONSIST OF THOSE WHO EXPECT TO CONTRIBUTE TO OR RECEIVE ASSISTANCE FROM SPECIAL FUND; WE DO NOT WISH TO GIVE IMPRESSION THROUGH
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PARTICIPATION IN BOARD THAT EVENTUAL U.S. SUPPORT IS LIKELY.

3. WE ALSO NOTE THAT WHILE WE PREVIOUSLY ANTICIPATED THAT SOME DONORS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WITHOUT ESTABLISHED AID PROGRAMS, MIGHT WISH TO PARTICIPATE THROUGH UN FACILITIES, IT NOW IS APPARENT THAT NO DONORS ARE PARTICIPATING THROUGH SPECIAL FUND, PREFERRING ALSO TO USE BILATERAL AND EXISTING MULTILATERAL CHANNELS FOR OTHER THAN SHORT-TERM ASSISTANCE; IN THIS LIGHT, COST OF PROJECTED STAFFING AND ADMINISTRATION APPEARS UNNECESSARILY HIGH FOR FUND WHICH HAS NO RESOURCES.

4. WE HAVE CONCURRED IN THE ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION WHICH PROVIDES THE GUIDELINES NECESSARY FOR THE FUND'S OPERATION. THIS ACCURATELY EXPRESSES OUR WILLINGNESS TO SEE THE FUND BECOME OPERATIONAL IF OTHER DONORS CARE TO USE IT. OUR DECISION NOT TO SERVE ON BOARD OF GOVERNORS REFLECTS THE MORE RESTRICTED ISSUE OF US PARTICIPATION IN THE FUND. KISSINGER

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